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Report Highlights:

Heavy drought damages on oilseed winter rape cut down the total area of oilseeds in 2003 by 4,617 ha (11,409 acre) compared to the previous year and amounted to 102,436 ha (253,125 acre). Except for oilseed winter rape, where planted area declined by around one fifth in total, all other oilseed crops showed increased areas in 2003. Imports and exports of oilseeds rose considerably in 2002/03, whereas imports and exports of oilseeds oils were fairly stable.

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Production

Area

Because of heavy drought damage on oilseed winter rape, the total area of oilseeds in 2003 decreased by 4,617 ha (11,409 acre) compared to the previous year and amounted to 102,436 ha (253,125 acre). Except for oilseed winter rape, where planted area declined by around one fifth in total, all other oilseed crops showed increasing areas in 2003 (see figure 2).

Winter rapeseed is still the main oilseed crop in Austria, accounting for 39% of the total production in 2003 (55% in 2002), followed by sunflower seeds, accounting for 36% in 2003 (25.2% in 2002), and soybeans, accounting for 20% in 2003 (15.2% in 2002). See figure 1.

There is also a considerable production area of oilseed pumpkins in the southeastern regions of Austria. With a total area of 15,450 ha (38,178 acre) oilseed pumpkin production reaches around the same area of production as soybeans. In the southeastern province Styria oilseed pumpkin became the third most important crop within the last couple of years. Production area is steadily growing.

The area for rape sown in 2003 (harvest 2004) is estimated to be around the same as the original sowing the year before, which accounts to roughly 55,000 ha (135,908 acre). But due to low temperatures in the north and north east of Austria – up to minus 20 degree Celsius (minus 4 degree Fahrenheit) – and little protective snow cover at the beginning of winter, there might be a reduction of 20% of the planted area of oilseed rape. Due to good yields in 2003 other oilseed crops are expected to increase planting area. Precipitation during the end of winter was above the long term average, which causes good moisture conditions for the spring sowing (sunflower, soybean, oilseed pumpkin).

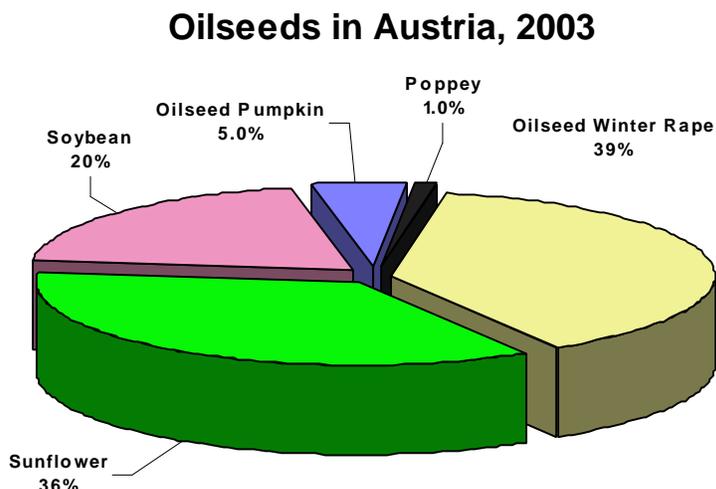


Figure 1, Source: Statistik Austria, Schnellbericht 1.12, Nov. 2003

Oilseeds Planted Area 2003 Compared to 2002 (ha)

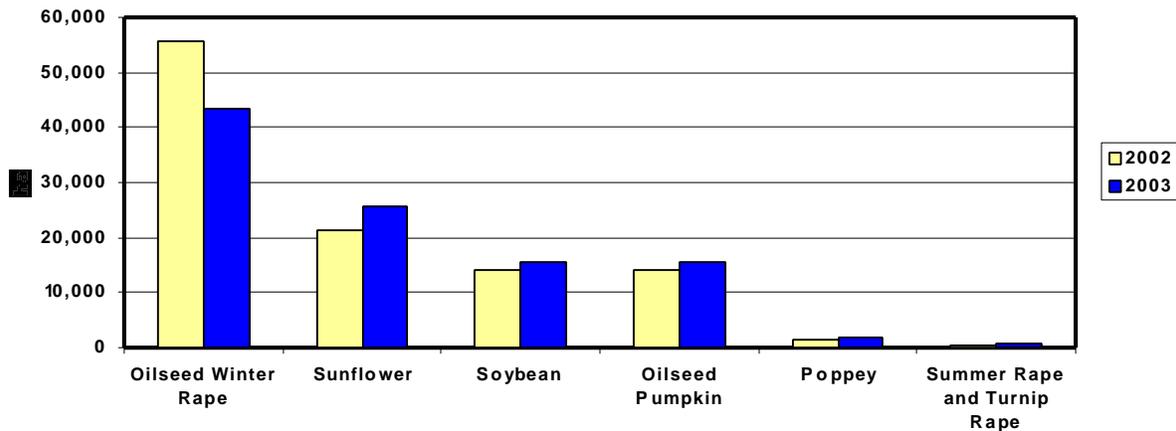


Figure 2, Source: Statistik Austria, Schnellbericht 1.12, Nov. 2003

Yields

Due to reduced area and lower yields per hectare caused by frost damage, total winter rape harvest declined by 39,9 % to 76,920 MT in 2003 compared to 2002. Yields of sunflower, soybean and oilseed pumpkin grew because of increased planted area and an average yield per hectare (see figure 3).

Total yields of oilseeds in Austria in 2003 amounted to 199,307 MT, which is 14 % less than the previous year. The 2004 harvest for oilseed crops is expected to be fairly the same as in 2003.

Oilseeds Harvest 2003 Compared to 2002 (Metric Tons)

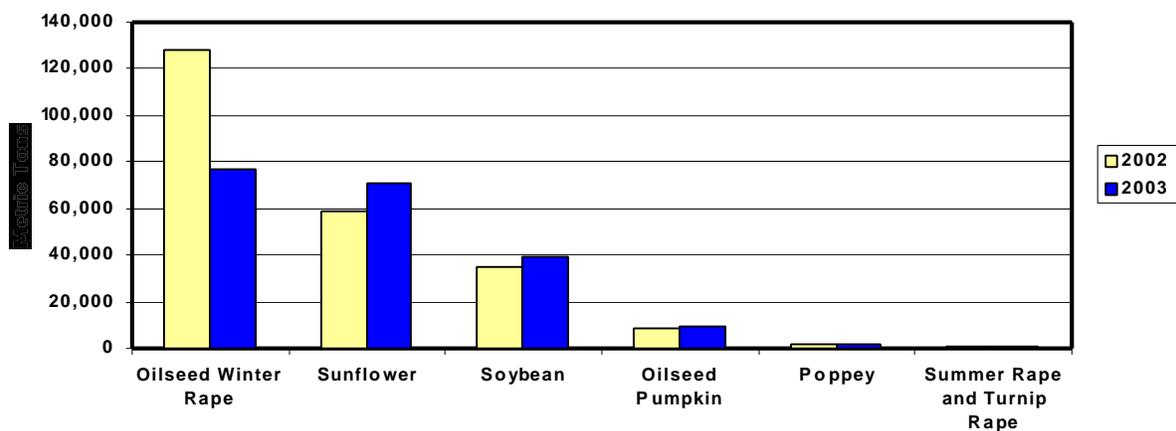


Figure 3, Source: Statistik Austria, Schnellbericht 1.12, Nov. 2003

Trade

Total imports of oilseeds in the market year 2002/03 (Oct. to Sept.) amounted to 240,815 MT. This is 35,912 MT more than in the year before. Exports also rose from 78,625 MT in 2001/02 to 161,506 MT in 2002/03. The level of self sufficiency in 2002/03 was 69 %.

Major rapeseed imports in 2002/03 came from Hungary, soybean imports from Italy, and Argentina. The main export market for oilseeds is Germany.

Imports and exports for this year are expected to stay on the level of the previous year. Depending on the promotional program of the Austrian government there could be a further demand on oilseeds for the processing of Biodiesel made of rapeseed or other oils.

Supply Balance Sheet, Oilseeds in MT 2002 and 2001

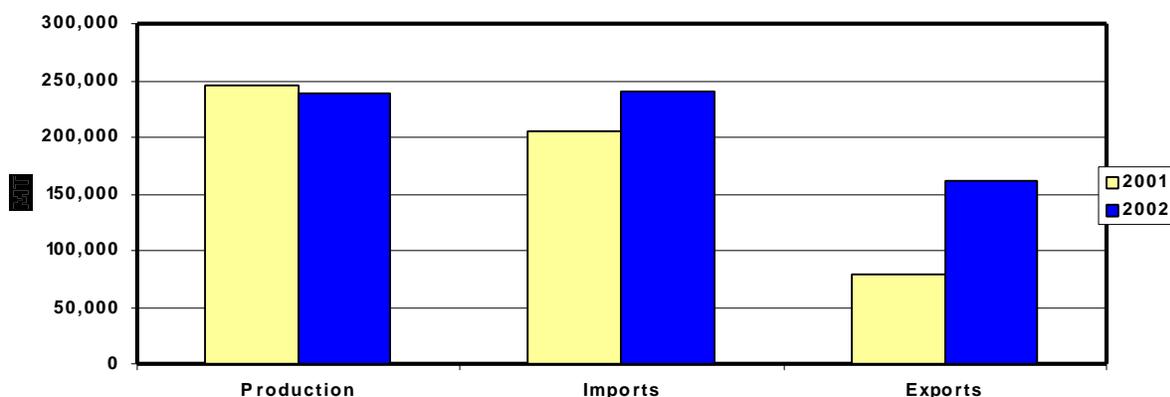


Figure 4, Source: Bundesministerium fuer Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft, 2003

Meals

Trade

Total import of oilseed meals in 2002/03 amounted to 669,000 MT. 595,000 MT out of those derive from soybean processing. Almost every soybean meal imported to Austria is coming from crushing facilities in the Netherlands, Italy and Germany.

Exports of oilseed meals in 2002/03 amounted to 130,000 MT. Half of this amount was re-exported soybean meal and half derived from other oilseeds.

Oils

Production

Production of vegetable oils in 2002/03 reached 110,773 MT and decreased by 5.3 % compared to 2001/02. This corresponds to a self sufficiency of 59 %. The main share of domestic supply is used for human consumption (92,500 MT) and out of that to produce margarine and edible fat (62,352 MT). Austrian's per capita consumption of vegetable oils accounts for 11.5 kg per year.

Trade

In 2002/03 total imports of oilseeds oils accounted for 140,409 MT, exports for 61,852 MT (see figure 5). Major import country for oilseeds oils is Germany.

**Supply Balance Sheet, Vegetable Oils in MT
2002 and 2001**

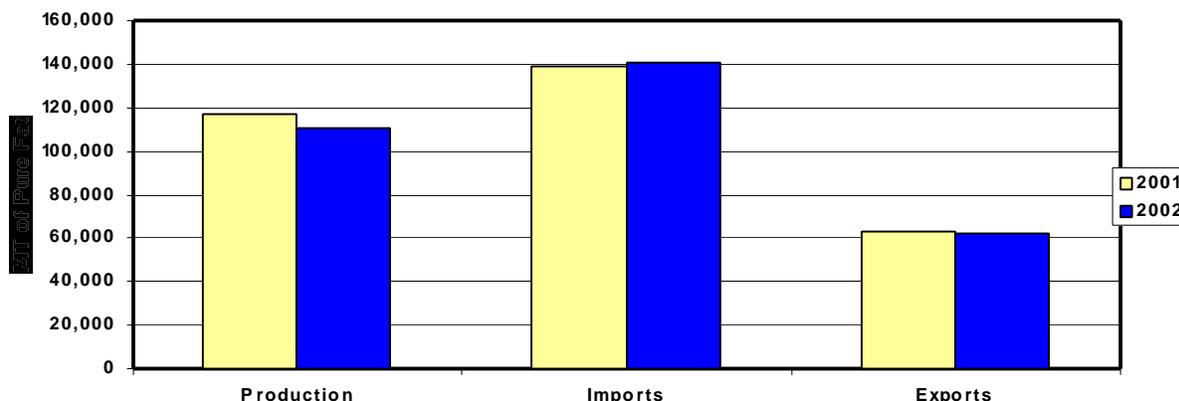


Figure 5, Source: Bundesministerium fuer Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft, 2003

PSD Table							
Country	Austria						
Commodity	Oilseed, Soybean				(1000 HA)	(1000 MT)	
	2002	Revised	2003	Estimate	2004	Forecast	UOM
	USDA Official	Estimate	DA Official	Estimate	DA Official	Estimate	[New]
Market Year Begin		10/2002		10/2003		10/2004	MM/YYYY
Area Planted	0	14	0	15	0	15	(1000 HA)
Area Harvested	0	14	0	15	0	15	(1000 HA)
Beginning Stocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Production	0	35	0	39	0	40	(1000 MT)
MY Imports	0	22	0	22	0	22	(1000 MT)
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
MY Imp. from the EC	0	16	0	15	0	18	(1000 MT)
TOTAL SUPPLY	0	57	0	61	0	62	(1000 MT)
MY Exports	0	14	0	15	0	15	(1000 MT)
MY Exp. to the EC	0	11	0	12	0	15	(1000 MT)
Crush Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Food Use Dom. Consumption	0	17	0	18	0	19	(1000 MT)
Feed,Seed,Waste Dm.Cr	0	26	0	28	0	28	(1000 MT)
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	0	43	0	46	0	47	(1000 MT)
Ending Stocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	0	57	0	61	0	62	(1000 MT)
Calendar Year Imports	0	22	0	22	0	0	(1000 MT)
Calendar Yr Imp. U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Calendar Year Exports	0	11	0	15	0	0	(1000 MT)
Calendar Yr Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)

PSD Table							
Country	Austria						
Commodity	Meal, Soybean				(1000 MT)(PERCENT)		
	2002	Revised	2003	Estimate	2004	Forecast	UOM
	USDA Official	Estimate	DA Official	Estimate	DA Official	Estimate	[New]
Market Year Begin		10/2002		10/2003		10/2004	MM/YYYY
Crush	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Extr. Rate, 999.9999	0	0	0	0	0	0	(PERCENT)
Beginning Stocks	0	35	0	35	0	35	(1000 MT)
Production	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
MY Imports	0	549	0	540	0	540	(1000 MT)
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	1	0	1	0	0	(1000 MT)
MY Imp. from the EC	0	534	0	530	0	530	(1000 MT)
TOTAL SUPPLY	0	584	0	575	0	575	(1000 MT)
MY Exports	0	68	0	60	0	60	(1000 MT)
MY Exp. to the EC	0	57	0	55	0	55	(1000 MT)
Industrial Dom. Consum	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Food Use Dom. Consump	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Feed Waste Dom. Consu	0	481	0	480	0	480	(1000 MT)
TOTAL Dom. Consumptio	0	481	0	480	0	480	(1000 MT)
Ending Stocks	0	35	0	35	0	35	(1000 MT)
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	0	584	0	575	0	575	(1000 MT)
Calendar Year Imports	0	549	0	549	0	549	(1000 MT)
Calendar Yr Imp. U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Calendar Year Exports	0	68	0	68	0	68	(1000 MT)
Calndr Yr Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)

PSD Table							
Country	Austria						
Commodity	Oil, Soybean				(1000 MT)(PERCENT)		
	2002	Revised	2003	Estimate	2004	Forecast	UOM
	USDA Official	Estimate	DA Official	Estimate	DA Official	Estimate	[New]
Market Year Begin		10/2002		10/2003		10/2004	MM/YYYY
Crush	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Extr. Rate, 999.9999	0	0	0	0	0	0	(PERCENT)
Beginning Stocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Production	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
MY Imports	0	46	0	46	0	46	(1000 MT)
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
MY Imp. from the EC	0	46	0	46	0	46	(1000 MT)
TOTAL SUPPLY	0	46	0	46	0	46	(1000 MT)
MY Exports	0	7	0	7	0	7	(1000 MT)
MY Exp. to the EC	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Industrial Dom. Consum	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Food Use Dom. Consump	0	39	0	39	0	39	(1000 MT)
Feed Waste Dom. Consu	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
TOTAL Dom. Consumptio	0	39	0	39	0	39	(1000 MT)
Ending Stocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	0	46	0	46	0	46	(1000 MT)
Calendar Year Imports	0	46	0	46	0	46	(1000 MT)
Calendar Yr Imp. U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Calendar Year Exports	0	7	0	7	0	7	(1000 MT)
Calndr Yr Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)

Export Trade Matrix			
Country	Austria		
Commodity	Oilseed, Soybean		
Time Period	Oct-01	Units:	Oct-02
Exports for:		1000 MT	
U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others	
Germany	7	Germany	8
Italy	3	Italy	3
Czech Republic	1	Belgium	1
Switzerland	1	Czech Republic	1
Total for Others	12		13
Others not Listed	1		1
Grand Total	13		14

Import Trade Matrix			
Country	Austria		
Commodity	Oilseed, Soybean		
Time Period	Oct-01	Units:	Oct-02
Imports for:		1000 MT	
U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others	
Italy	16	Italy	12
Germany	4	Argentina	5
Argentina	2	Germany	3
		CEEC	1
		Hungary	1
Total for Others	22		22
Others not Listed	1		0
Grand Total	23		22

Export Trade Matrix			
Country	Austria		
Commodity	Meal, Soybean		
Time Period	Oct-01	Units:	Oct-02
Exports for:		1000 MT	
U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others	
Croatia	5	Germany	49
Hungary	2	Netherlands	5
Germany	1	Hungary	4
Italy	1	Croatia	3
Slovakia	1	Czech Republic	2
		Italy	2
		Belgium	1
		Slovakia	1
		United Kingdom	1
Total for Others	10		68
Others not Listed	0		0
Grand Total	10		68

Import Trade Matrix			
Country	Austria		
Commodity	Meal, Soybean		
Time Period	Oct-01	Units:	Oct-02
Imports for:		1000 MT	
U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others	
Italy	222	Netherlands	242
Germany	160	Italy	208
Netherlands	153	Germany	139
Argentina	12	Argentina	5
Brazil	2		
Total for Others	549		594
Others not Listed	0		0
Grand Total	549		594

Export Trade Matrix				Import Trade Matrix			
Country	Austria			Country	Austria		
Commodity	Oil, Soybean			Commodity	Oil, Soybean		
Time Period	Oct-01	Units:	Oct-02	Time Period	Oct-01	Units:	Oct-02
Exports for:		1000 MT		Imports for:		1000 MT	
U.S.	0	U.S.	0	U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others		Others		Others	
Romania	5	Romania	2	Germany	43	Germany	45
Slovenia	3	Slovenia	2	Netherlands	3	Netherlands	1
Czech Republic	1	Bosnia-Herzegovina	1				
Bosnia-Herzegovina	1	Croatia	1				
		Slovakia	1				
Total for Others	10		7	Total for Others	46		46
Others not Listed	0		0	Others not Listed	0		0
Grand Total	10		7	Grand Total	46		46

Prices Table			
Country	Austria		
Commodity	Oilseed, Soybean		
Prices in	Euro	per uom	MT
Year	2002	2003	% Change
Jan	226.6	228.9	1%
Feb	226.6	229.7	1%
Mar	226.6	225.2	-1%
Apr	226.6	229.7	1%
May	222.4	230	3%
Jun	226.5	225.2	-1%
Jul			
Aug		198	
Sep	213.3	202.4	-5%
Oct	190.85	206	8%
Nov	218.5	173.7	-21%
Dec	225.5	203.6	-10%
Exchange Rate	0.86934	Local Currency/US \$	
Date of Quote	7/1/2003	MM/DD/YYYY	

PSD Table							
Country	Austria						
Commodity	Oilseed, Rapeseed				(1000 HA)	(1000 MT)	
	2002	Revised	2003	Estimate	2004	Forecast	UOM
	USDA Official	Estimate	DA Official	Estimate	DA Official	Estimate	[New]
Market Year Begin		10/2002		10/2003		10/2004	MM/YYYY
Area Planted	0	55	0	53	0	55	(1000 HA)
Area Harvested	0	55	0	43	0	45	(1000 HA)
Beginning Stocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Production	0	128	0	77	0	90	(1000 MT)
MY Imports	0	52	0	65	0	60	(1000 MT)
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
MY Imp. from the EC	0	4	0	5	0	5	(1000 MT)
TOTAL SUPPLY	0	180	0	142	0	150	(1000 MT)
MY Exports	0	57	0	50	0	50	(1000 MT)
MY Exp. to the EC	0	55	0	45	0	45	(1000 MT)
Crush Dom. Consumption	0	123	0	92	0	100	(1000 MT)
Food Use Dom. Consump.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Feed,Seed,Waste Dm.Cn.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	0	123	0	92	0	100	(1000 MT)
Ending Stocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	0	180	0	142	0	150	(1000 MT)
Calendar Year Imports	0	52	0	65	0	65	(1000 MT)
Calendar Yr Imp. U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Calendar Year Exports	0	57	0	50	0	50	(1000 MT)
Calndr Yr Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)

PSD Table							
Country	Austria						
Commodity	Oil, Rapeseed				(1000 MT)	(PERCENT)	
	2002	Revised	2003	Estimate	2004	Forecast	UOM
	USDA Official	Estimate	DA Official	Estimate	DA Official	Estimate	[New]
Market Year Begin		10/2002		10/2003		10/2004	MM/YYYY
Crush	0	123	0	92	0	100	(1000 MT)
Extr. Rate, 999.9999	0	0.398374	0	0.402174	0	0.4	(PERCENT)
Beginning Stocks	0	4	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Production	0	49	0	37	0	40	(1000 MT)
MY Imports	0	10	0	10	0	10	(1000 MT)
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
MY Imp. from the EC	0	10	0	10	0	10	(1000 MT)
TOTAL SUPPLY	0	63	0	47	0	50	(1000 MT)
MY Exports	0	21	0	20	0	20	(1000 MT)
MY Exp. to the EC	0	9	0	10	0	20	(1000 MT)
Industrial Dom. Consum	0	12	0	10	0	10	(1000 MT)
Food Use Dom. Consump.	0	30	0	17	0	20	(1000 MT)
Feed Waste Dom. Consum	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	0	42	0	27	0	30	(1000 MT)
Ending Stocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	0	63	0	47	0	50	(1000 MT)
Calendar Year Imports	0	7	0	10	0	10	(1000 MT)
Calendar Yr Imp. U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Calendar Year Exports	0	29	0	20	0	20	(1000 MT)
Calndr Yr Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)

PSD Table							
Country	Austria						
Commodity	Meal, Rapeseed						
				(1000 MT)(PERCENT)			
	2002	Revised	2003	Estimate	2004	Forecast	UOM
	USDA Official	Estimate	DA Official	Estimate	DA Official	Estimate	[New]
Market Year Begin		10/2002		10/2003		10/2004	MM/YYYY
Crush	0	123	0	92	0	100	(1000 MT)
Extr. Rate, 999.9999	0	0.601626	0	0.597826	0	0.6	(PERCENT)
Beginning Stocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Production	0	74	0	55	0	60	(1000 MT)
MY Imports	0	45	0	50	0	55	(1000 MT)
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
MY Imp. from the EC	0	19	0	20	0	50	(1000 MT)
TOTAL SUPPLY	0	119	0	105	0	115	(1000 MT)
MY Exports	0	39	0	35	0	40	(1000 MT)
MY Exp. to the EC	0	37	0	33	0	40	(1000 MT)
Industrial Dom. Consum	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Food Use Dom. Consum	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Feed Waste Dom. Consum	0	80	0	70	0	75	(1000 MT)
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	0	80	0	70	0	75	(1000 MT)
Ending Stocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	0	119	0	105	0	115	(1000 MT)
Calendar Year Imports	0	45	0	50	0	55	(1000 MT)
Calendar Yr Imp. U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Calendar Year Exports	0	37	0	35	0	40	(1000 MT)
Calndr Yr Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)

Export Trade Matrix			
Country	Austria		
Commodity	Oilseed, Rapeseed		
Time Period	Oct-01	Units:	Oct-02
Exports for:		1000 MT	
U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others	
Germany	19	Germany	47
Netherlands	4	France	3
Italy	1	Italy	3
		Belgium	1
		Czech Republic	1
Total for Others	24		55
Others not Listed	0		2
Grand Total	24		57

Import Trade Matrix			
Country	Austria		
Commodity	Oilseed, Rapeseed		
Time Period	Oct-01	Units:	Oct-02
Imports for:		1000 MT	
U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others	
Slovakia	25	Hungary	35
Hungary	17	Czech Republic	4
Czech Republic	15	Germany	4
Germany	8	Slovakia	4
Poland	8	Croatia	2
Ukraine	1	Italy	1
		Slovenia	1
Total for Others	74		51
Others not Listed	0		1
Grand Total	74		52

Export Trade Matrix			
Country	Austria		
Commodity	Meal, Rapeseed		
Time Period	Oct-01	Units:	Oct-02
Exports for:		1000 MT	
U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others	
Italy	22	Italy	27
Netherlands	10	Germany	10
Slovenia	1	Slovenia	2
Total for Others	33		39
Others not Listed	0		0
Grand Total	33		39

Import Trade Matrix			
Country	Austria		
Commodity	Meal, Rapeseed		
Time Period	Oct-01	Units:	Oct-02
Imports for:		1000 MT	
U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others	
Germany	3	Germany	19
Slovakia	2	Slovakia	17
Hungary	2	Hungary	6
Czech Republic	1	Croatia	2
		Czech Republic	1
Total for Others	8		45
Others not Listed	0		0
Grand Total	8		45

Export Trade Matrix			
Country	Austria		
Commodity	Oil, Rapeseed		
Time Period	Oct-01	Units:	Oct-02
Exports for:		1000 MT	
U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others	
Italy	10	Slovenia	6
Slovenia	8	Italy	5
Hungary	6	Germany	4
Bosnia-Herzeg.	3	Hungary	3
Russian Fed.	1	Bosnia-Herzeg.	1
Total for Others	28		19
Others not Listed	1		2
Grand Total	29		21

Import Trade Matrix			
Country	Austria		
Commodity	Oil, Rapeseed		
Time Period	Oct-01	Units:	Oct-02
Imports for:		1000 MT	
U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others	
Germany	7	Germany	10
Total for Others	7		10
Others not Listed	0		0
Grand Total	7		10

Country	Austria		
Commodity	Oilseed, Rapeseed		
Producer Prices in	Euro	per uom	MT
Year	2002	2003	% Change
Jan	188.9	195.3	
Feb	188.9	194.1	
Mar	188.9	191.9	
Apr	188.9	191.9	
May	188.9	191.3	
Jun		194.1	
Jul	195.7	198.6	
Aug	195.2	196.7	
Sep	185.8	194.6	
Oct	188.7	194.9	
Nov	194.3	195	
Dec	188.2	198.3	
Exchange Rate	0.86934	Local Currency/US \$	
Date of Quote	7/1/2003	MM/DD/YYYY	